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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) No free grazing facilities for cattle of private owners are allowed in the Government Reserved Forests including the reserved forests in Malabar district. Goats are prohibited from the reserved forests altogether.

" (*b*) The following rates are charged for cattle grazing in reserved forests :—

Buffalo—Re. 0–8–0 per head per annum.
Cow—Re. 0–4–0 ,, ,,
Sheep—Re. 0–2–0 ,, ,,"

Retention of village officers in their respective villages.

* 1227 *Q.*—SRI M. KATTIMUTHU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state the reasons for retaining the village officers, *viz.*, munsif, karnam, toti and talayaris, permanently in their respective villages?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The village officers are expected to know personally each and every ryot in the village and also his status for the proper performance of their duties. In fact in order to know who is who in the village, it is necessary that the village officers should reside permanently in the village."

SRI M. KATTIMUTHU :—" கிராம அதிகாரிகளுக்கு குறைந்த அளவில் சம்பளம் கொடுக்கின்றார்கள். அந்தச் சம்பளத்தை வைத்துக் கொண்டு அவர்கள் தங்களுடைய குடும்பத்தை நடத்த முடியாத நிலையில் கஷ்டப்படுகிறார்கள். ஆகவே, கிராம அதிகாரிகளை நிரந்தரமாக ஒரே கிராமத்தில் வைத்திருப்பதைவிட, வேறு இடத்திற்கு மாற்றி என் அதிகமாக சம்பளத்தைக் கொடுக்கக்கூடாது ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, if the hon. Member's suggestion is accepted, the village officers will be put to greater trouble because they will have to shift from village to village on their meagre pay. It will be far more difficult."

Development of roads under the Road Development Scheme in Tanjore district.

* 1228 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) the sum proposed to be allotted for Road Development Scheme in Tanjore district under new schemes for 1954–55; and

(*b*) the total length of the roads proposed to be developed?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMI PADAYACHI :—" (*a*) & (*b*) Lump-sum provisions have been made in the State Budget for 1954–55 for grants to local bodies for Road Development Schemes under the various programmes, *viz.*, the Five-Year Plan, the Village Road Programme (outside the Five-Year Plan) and the Central Road Fund Programme.